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Isiah Leggett, County Executive Timothy Firestine, Chief Administrator Officer Catherine Matthews, Director Kraig Walsleben, UCAB Chair

#### June 20, 2018

## County Executive Leggett Thanks Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board (UCAB); Members Elect New Officers

On June 18th, the Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board presented their annual report to County Executive Leggett who shared his responses and thoughts about the upcoming year. Mr. Leggett also expressed his appreciation to Arthur Edmunds for his service as Chair of the board this past year, and his appreciation for the service of the following members who are retiring from the board --- Mark Firley, Mamady Kamara, Darlene Kerr, Kevin Linck, and David Rosenbaum.



Arthur Edmunds (Laytonsville)



Mark Firley (Montgomery Village)



Mamady Kamara (Germantown)



Darlene Kerr (Germantown)



Kevin Linck (Montgomery Village)



David Rosenbaum (Germantown)

#### **New UCAB Officers Elected for 2018-2019**



Kraig Walsleben Chair (Damascus)



Tobi Printz-Platnick 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair (Boyds/Germantown)



Linda Moore 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair (Montgomery Village)

### **Leggett Seeks Applicants for Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board!**

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County Executive Isiah Leggett is seeking applicants to fill seven vacancies on the Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board. Two incumbents are eligible to apply for reappointment. For more information and to apply, go to <a href="https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/BCCpublic/ViewJob.aspx?id=309">https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/BCCpublic/ViewJob.aspx?id=309</a>

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#### Road Work . . .

Park Mill Drive Patching Project – Full-depth permanent pavement patching will replace areas of distressed pavement with hot mix asphalt. This will restore the pavement's structural integrity and capacity to support vehicle loads. The patching project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2018 and will be completed within three to four weeks, weather permitting. Work hours are from 7am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. To see a map of the project area and get more details, visit <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/Resources/Files/Park%20Mill%20Drive-Permanent%20Patching-2018">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/Resources/Files/Park%20Mill%20Drive-Permanent%20Patching-2018</a> 58.pdf

**Seneca Crossing Drive Patching Project** - Full-depth permanent pavement patching will replace areas of distressed pavement with hot mix asphalt. This will restore the pavement's structural integrity and capacity to support vehicle loads. The patching project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2018 and will be completed within three to four weeks, weather permitting. Work hours are from 7am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. To see a map of the project area and get more details, visit <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/Resources/Files/Seneca%20Crossing%20Drive-Permanent%20Patching-2018">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/Resources/Files/Seneca%20Crossing%20Drive-Permanent%20Patching-2018</a> 59.pdf

**Metz Drive Subdivision Residential Resurfacing Project** – This work will consist of a survey to identify areas of pavement that may require full-depth patching or other repairs, full-depth patching, pavement milling, paving with hot mix asphalt, and replacement of roadway lane markings. Street paving will require short-term parking restrictions. Signs will be posted identifying those restrictions. This project is scheduled to begin in late summer or early fall of 2018 and will take four to five weeks to complete, weather and other operational requirements permitting. Work hours will be 7am to 5pm, Monday through Friday.

Heritage Days Festival 2018 Saturday, June 23 & Sunday, June 24 12:00noon to 4:00pm Free event!

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At 40 sites throughout Montgomery County. Join Heritage Montgomery in celebrating the 21st annual Heritage Days with a weekend packed with fun, family-friendly, free events across the county. Activities include special programs, exhibits, demonstrations, live music, activities for children, & more. For details visit <a href="http://www.heritagemontgomery.org/news/heritage-days-2018/">http://www.heritagemontgomery.org/news/heritage-days-2018/</a> or call 301-515-0753.

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## Minimum Wage Increases, Effective July 1

Effective July 1, 2018, please be advised that the minimum wage rate for Montgomery County will increase to \$12.25 for employers with 51 or more employees, and \$12.00 for employers with 50 or fewer employees. Most employees must be paid the Montgomery County Minimum Wage Rate. Employees age 18 and under who are working under 20 hours per week are exempt from this rate. See Minimum Wage Transition Table.

See flyer here.

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#### New Law for Short-Term Residential Rentals, Effective July 1

On October 10, 2017, the Montgomery County Council adopted zoning text amendment (ZTA) 16-03 and Bill 2-16 to define <u>short-term residential rentals and to establish standards and licensing regulations</u>. *The law will become effective on July 1, 2018*. Property owners currently advertising short-term rentals are being notified about the process for bringing the property into compliance with the new law. If you operate a short-term rental property and you do not receive a letter, you are still required to apply for a license and meet licensing requirements.

Visit montgomerycountymd.gov/short-term-rental, or press release for more information.

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#### **Educational Credentials for a Lifetime**

Eighteen students were awarded their high school diploma or GED at the 12th annual commencement ceremony held at the County's Department of Correction and Rehabilitation (DOCR) County Correctional Facility. Education-pursuit is one of the pillars of the DOCR's nationally recognized system to curb the rates of recidivism and change lives for the better. According to the Council of State Governments, individuals participating in correctional education programming had 43 percent lower odds of re-engaging in crime than those who did not, with 13 percent higher odds of obtaining a job after release.

Congratulations Grads!

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## Positions Available

#### Join the DOCR!

Spread the word! The Montgomery County <u>Department of Correction and Rehabilitation (DOCR)</u> is now hiring for positions within correction/public safety – officers, medical personnel, social workers /counselors, food-service personnel and more! DOCR offers great pay and benefits, and foreign-language proficiency is a plus! For more information, please contact DOCR's Human Resources Section directly at 240-777-9759 or visit the Department's website.

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# Councilmember Craig Rice extends deadline to Monday, July 16 for his 2018 Councilmember for a Day Challenge

Contest seeks to empower young people to become more involved with public policy and government

The winner of the challenge will be the guest of honor at a Council breakfast, receive a Council proclamation, participate in a full Council meeting and receive a top prize of \$500. In addition to shadowing Councilmember Rice for the day, the winning student and his or her parents also will have dinner with the councilmember and his staff.

Eighth grade students and high school students (current freshman, sophomores or juniors) are asked to submit videos (of two minutes or less) or written essays (500 words or less) addressing the following:

- In your opinion, what is the most important public policy issue facing young people today?
- What suggestions do you have for national, state and local leaders to address this issue?

Ten students will be selected as finalists based on the quality and creativity of their entries. The finalists will receive prizes ranging from \$25 to \$250 and official Council certificates at the Council's Youth Town Hall meeting in the fall. The winning student will be selected from this group. Learn more

at https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press Detail.aspx?Item ID=22254

To learn more about the Montgomery County Council, visit their website at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council

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County's Fire & Rescue Service Offers Tips on Infant & Child Car Seat Safety

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcfrs-info/tips/parents/carseats.html

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### **Montgomery County Honors Local African American Living Legends**

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett congratulated the recipients of the 2018 Annual African American Living Legend Award presented at the Montgomery County's 22nd Annual Juneteenth Celebration. The four honorees, Sol Graham, Samuel C. Hamilton, Arthur Holmes, Jr. and Harvey Ziegler, have dedicated their lives to service, advocacy and selfless acts of kindness to their community. Pictured (I to r): Ziegler, Holmes, Leggett, Graham, Hamilton. Read more about the celebration and awardees in the press release. See more photos from Flickr.

2018 "Senior Planet" Graduates

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Learn more about this 10-week technology course - a learning-based *ultraMontgomery* initiative. "Senior Planet" is a program of technology courses that are designed specifically for older adults by NYC-based Older Adults Technology Services, which operates the <u>Senior Planet</u> technology center in Manhattan. The County's goal is to create classes designed to help people, ages 60 to 85, use the Internet and other technology to improve their daily lives, connect with others, and to fully participate in the digital economy. County Executive Leggett started the Senior Planet Montgomery program with the support of the County Council, OATS, the Department of Technology Services, the Libraries, and the Recreation Department's Senior Centers and TeenWorks program.

For additional information about these programs, please contact Mary Ellen Icaza at 240-777-0006.

See more pics from the event here.

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For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board <a href="http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news-releases">http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news-releases</a>

#### Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library</a>

Department of Recreation <a href="http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp">http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp</a>

Department of Transportation <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html</a>

Department of Environmental Protection <a href="http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp">http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp</a>
Department of Permitting Services <a href="http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx">http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx</a>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <a href="http://www.montgomeryserves.org">http://www.montgomeryserves.org</a>

Office of Community Partnerships http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html

Commission for Women <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html</a>

Parks Department <a href="http://www.montgomeryparks.org">http://www.montgomeryparks.org</a> Planning Department <a href="http://montgomeryplanning.org">http://montgomeryplanning.org</a>